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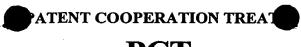
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V.	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability;
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1. Statement		•	•
Novelty (N)	Claims	1-4	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-4	YES
	Claims		- NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-4	YES
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2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

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D4: EP 0117670

D5: US 5021124

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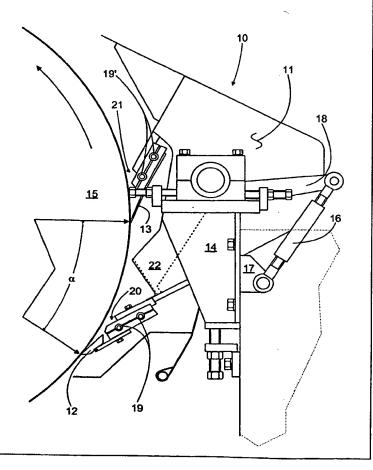
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(54) Title: DOCTOR FOR A SUCTION ROLL PARTICULARLY IN PAPER MACHINES

(57) Abstract

The invention relates to a doctor for a suction roll particularly in a paper machine, which doctor (10) is intended to remove water from a suction roll (15). The doctor (10) includes a doctor slat (12) fitted against the surface of suction roll (15) to extend essentially over the entire width of suction roll (15), as well as the doctor slat's (12) holder (20) and loading devices (19). In the direction of rotation of the suction roll (15), there is a doctor blade (13), which is as such known, with a blade holder (21) fitted to doctor (10) after doctor slat (12). Doctor blade (13) is arranged to remove the water lifted off suction roll (15) by doctor slat (12).



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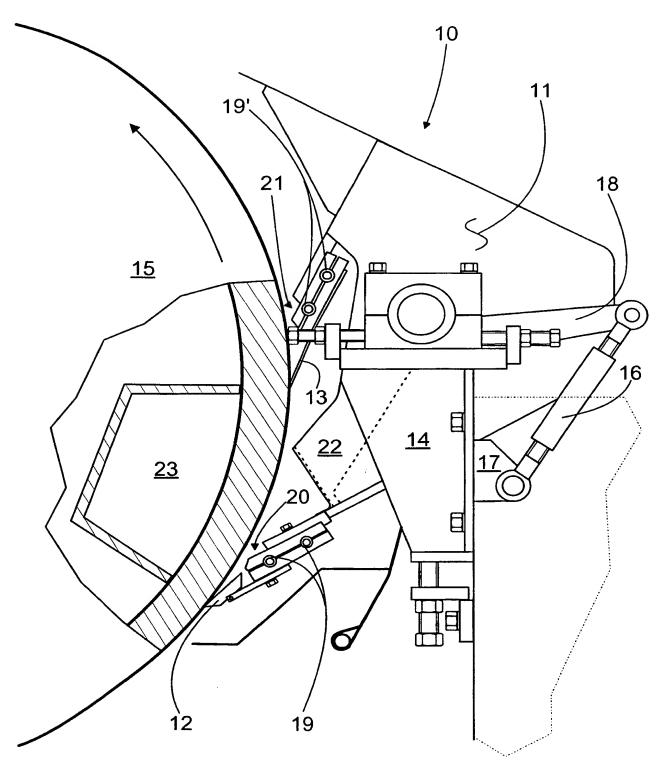


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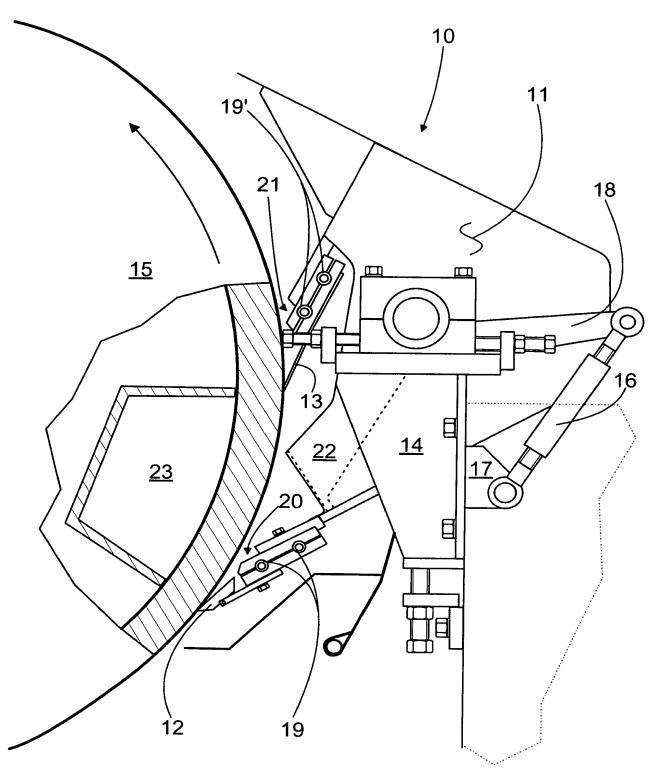


Fig. 2

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IMUTELAN KAAVIN ERITYISESTI PAPERIKONEISIIN

Keksinnön kohteena on imutelan kaavin erityisesti paperikoneisiin, joka kaavin on tarkoitettu veden poistamiseksi imutelalta ja johon kaapimeen kuuluu imutelan pintaa vasten sovitettu oleellisesti koko imutelan pituudelle ulottuva kaavinlista sekä sen pidin ja kuormituselimet.

FI-patenttihakemuksesta numero 902910 tunnetaan imutelan kaa10 vin, jolla poistetaan imutelalta vettä. Kaapimessa käytetään
teränä kaavinlistaa, joka kaapii imutelan pinnalta vesikalvon
pois. Kaavinlista lisäksi aikaansaa jälkeensä imun, joka poistaa myös imutelan porauksista ja urista sinne jäänyttä vettä.
Osa imun nostamasta vedestä valuu imutelan alapuoliseen poisto15 altaaseen, mutta osa kosteudesta kulkeutuu imutelan pyörimisliikkeen johdosta takaisin huovalle tai vastaavaan. Tämä aiheuttaa viiran tai huovan vetistymistä tai ainakin epätasaisuutta
viiran, huovan tai paperin kosteusprofiiliin.

Vastaavaan käyttöön on valmistettu myös kaksoiskaavin, jossa olevilla kahdella kaavinterällä on pyritty parantamaan kaapimen vedenpoistokykyä. Tavanomaisilla kaavinterillä ei kuitenkaan saavuteta kaavinlistan mukaista imuvaikutusta, joka vetäisi veden pois myös imutelan rei'istä. Lisäksi kaavinterät toimivat halutulla tavalla vain tietyllä imutelan kehänopeusalueella. Tällöin paperikoneen nopeutta kasvatettaessa kyseisen kaapimen vedenpoistokyky ja kaavintulos heikkenevät oleellisesti.

Keksinnön tarkoituksena on aikaansaada erityisesti paperikoneisiin uudenlainen imutelan kaavin, jolla vesi saadaan poistettua
entistä tehokkaammin imutelalta. Tämän keksinnön tunnusomaiset
piirteet ilmenevät oheisista patenttivaatimuksista. Keksinnön
mukaisella kaapimen yhdistelmärakenteella saadaan kaapimen
edulliset ominaisuudet esille, mikä käytännössä tarkoittaa
serittäin hyvää kaavintatulosta. Samalla saavutetaan merkittävä

kuiva-aineen nousu. Veden lisäksi kaapimella myös poistetaan kuituja ja täyteaineita imutelan rei'istä. Tämä vähentää imutelan mukana pyörivän irtomateriaalin määrää ja parantaa samalla imutelan reikien puhtaana pysyvyyttä. Kaavin myös tasaa imutelan ympäristön kosteutta, koska suurin osa vedestä saadaan hallitusti talteen. Tällöin viira, huopa tai vastaava ei vety, vaan sen kosteusprofiili pysyy tasaisena. Keksinnön mukaista kaavinta voidaan käyttää kaikissa imutelapositioissa. Lisäksi kaavin soveltuu pienin muutoksin hyvin laajalle imutelan kelo hänopeusalueelle.

Keksintöä kuvataan seuraavassa yksityiskohtaisesti viittaamalla oheisiin eräitä keksinnön sovelluksia kuvaaviin piirroksiin, joissa

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- Kuva 1 esittää keksinnön mukaisen kaapimen sivulta katsottuna,
- Kuva 2 esittää keksinnön mukaisen kaapimen sivulta katsottuna osana imutelan yhteyteen järjestettyä sovitelmaa veden poistamiseksi.

Kuvassa 1 esitetyssä keksinnön mukaisessa kaapimessa 10 on kaksi terää 12 ja 13, jotka on sovitettu kaapimen 10 runkora-kenteeseen 11. Runkorakenne 11 on kompakti ja se on laakeroitu molemmista päistään säädettävien tukien 14 välityksellä paperi-koneen runkoon. Runkoa on kuvattu pistekatkoviivalla. Tarvitta-essa kaavin 10 voidaan kääntää irti imutelan 15 pinnasta vant-tiruuvilla 16 tai vastaavalla. Kuvassa 1 vanttiruuvi 16 on sovitettu kiinteän korvakkeen 17 ja kääntyvään runkorakenteeseen 11 kiinnitetyn tukivarren 18 väliin. Kuitenkin vanttiruuvia 16 käytetään lähinnä vain kaapimen 10 asennon säätämiseen. Terät 12 ja 13 kuormitetaan ja vapautetaan tavanomaisin kuormitusletkuin 19 ja 19' varustettujen pitimien 20 ja 21 avulla.

35 Kuvan 1 toiminta-asentoisessa kaapimessa 10 terät 12 ja 13 vastaavat imutelan 15 pintaan varsinaisen imusektorin ollessa

imutelan 15 vastakkaisella puolella. Imutela 15 pyörii nuolen osittamaan suuntaan eikä imutelan 15 reikiä tai uria ole kuvattu. Imutelan 15 pyörimissuunnassa ensimmäisen terän 12 poistama vesi kerätään imutelan 15 alapuoliseen poistoaltaaseen. Toisen terän 13 keräämä vesi ohjataan runkorakenteeseen 11 muodostettuun kaukaloon 22, jolloin se ei haittaa ensimmäisen terän 12 toimintaa. Kaukalosta 22 vesi ohjataan edelleen imutelan 15 alapuolelle poistoaltaaseen.

- 10 Keksinnön mukaisesti imutelan 15 pyörimissuunnassa ensimmäisen terän 12, joka tässä on kaavinlista, jälkeen on kaapimeen 10 sovitettu sinällään tunnettu kaavinterä 13. Esimerkissä kaavinterään 13 kuuluu lisäksi tavanomainen teräpidin 21 ja kuormitusletkut 19'. Tällä teräyhdistelmällä saavutetaan aikaisempaa 15 parempi kaavintatulos varsinkin imutelan kehänopeuden ollessa riittävän suuri. Käytännössä kaavinlista 12 poistaa ensin vesikalvon imutelan 15 pinnalta ja sitten aikaansaa jälkeensä imuvaikutuksen. Tämä niin sanottu foiliefekti muodostuu aina imutelan pyöriessä, mutta tunnetusti merkittävä imu syntyy 20 vasta imutelan kehänopeuden noustessa tietylle tasolle. Tältä tasolta eteenpäin imuvaikutus useimmiten kasvaa tai pysyy ainakin samana. Foiliefekti imee imutelan rei'istä vettä, jonka sitten poistaa kaukaloon 22. Veden mukana kaavinterä 13 rei'istä nousee myös kuituja ja sideaineita, jotka kaavinterä 25 13 poistaa. Keksinnön mukainen kaavin on niin tehokas, että ylimääräistä kosteutta ei kierrä imutelan mukana. Tällöin myös imutelan toiminta tehostuu ja viiran tai huovan uudelleenvettyminen on olematonta.
- 30 Sekä kaavinlistan 12 että kaavinterän 13 pitimet 20 ja 21 on kiinnitetty kaapimen 10 runkorakenteeseen 11, jolloin molemmat terät 12 ja 13 voidaan kaapimen 10 asennuksessa säätää samanaikaisesti. Pitimet 20 ja 21 on lisäksi sovitettu runkorakenteeseen 11 siten, että imutelan 15 kuvitellun pyörähdysakselin suhteen kaavinlistan 12 ja kaavinterän 13 kosketusviivojen välinen kulma α on 15° 70°. Edullisemmin kulma α on 20° -

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40°. Tällöin kaavinterä 13 ehtii kaavinlistan 12 nostaman vesikalvon alle eikä vesi ehdi imeytyä takaisen reikiin. Lisäksi lähekkäin asetettujen terien 12 ja 13 ansiosta kaapimen 10 koko pysyy pienenä. Kaavinlista on valmistettu edullisesti muovista.

Kaavinlistan 12 pidin 20 on sovitettu irrotettavasti kiinnitettäväksi kaapimen 10 runkorakenteeseen 11. Lisäksi runkorakenteeseen 11 kuuluu kaavinlistan 12 pitimen 20 läheisyydessä kaavinterän 13 teräpidintä 21 vastaavat kiinnikkeet (ei esitetty). Näin ollen samaa kaavinta voidaan käyttää myös hitaiksi luokitelluissa paperikoneissa. Tällöin on perusteltua asentaa keksinnön mukainen kaavin varustettuna tavanomaisin kaavinterin paperikoneeseen, vaikka paperikone onkin niin sanotusti hidas. Siten tulevaisuuden nopeuden korotusprojekteissa kaavin voidaan helposti uudistaa yksinkertaisesti vaihtamalla ensimmäisenä teränä olleen tavallisen kaavinterän tilalle kaavinlista. Vaihdon perusteena oleva rajanopeus määritetään tapauskohtaisesti. Periaatteessa kaavinlistan imuvaikutus on merkittävä imutelan kehänopeuden ollessa riittävän suuri.

Imutelan toiminnan edelleen parantamiseksi on edullista järjestää keksinnön mukainen kaavin osaksi sovitelmaa, joka esitetään kuvassa 2. Toiminnallisista osista käytetään samoja viitenumeroita. Kuvan 2 mukaisesti sovitelmaan kuuluu ylipainekammio 23, joka asetetaan imutelan 15 sisään kaapimen 10 kohdalle. Edullisesti ylipainekammio 23 sijaitsee terien 12 ja 13 välissä, pyörimissuunnassa heti ensimmäisen terän 12 jälkeen. Tällöin kaavinlistan 12 muodostaman alipaineen vettä poistava vaikutus vahvistuu rei'istä purkautuvalla ylipainella. Ylipainekammio 23 päättyy ennen toista terää, jotta kaavinterän 13 toiminta ei häiriintyisi ilmavirrasta. Sovitelmalla imutelan reiät tyhjenevät entistä paremmin.

35 Keksinnön mukainen imutelan kaavin soveltuu siis laajalla imutelan kehänopeusalueella paperikoneen kaikkiin imutelaposi-

tioihin. Erityisesti kaapimen uudistus eri nopeusalueelle on yksinkertaista, mikä vähentää kustannuksia. Käytössä kaapimella saavutetaan merkittävä kuiva-aineen nousu. Lisäksi kaavintatulos on erinomainen. Kaavintatuloksen ollessa hyvä tasaantuu myös imutelan jälkeinen kosteusprofiilikin, koska kerran viirasta tai huovasta imetty vesi ei palaa enää uudelleen viiralle tai huovalle. Tällöin myös imutelan ympärillä leijuva kosteusharso ohenee.

PATENTTIVAATIMUKSET

- 1. Imutelan kaavin erityisesti paperikoneisiin, joka kaavin (10) on tarkoitettu veden poistamiseksi imutelalta (15) 5 ja johon kaapimeen (10) kuuluu imutelan (15) pintaa vasten sovitettu oleellisesti koko imutelan (15) pituudelle ulottuva kaavinlista (12) sekä sen pidin (20) ja kuormituselimet (19), tunnettu siitä, että imutelan (15) pyörimissuunnassa kaavinlistan (12) jälkeen on kaapimeen (10) sovitettu sinällään tunnettu kaavinterä (13) teräpitimineen (21) sovitettuna poistamaan kaavinlistan (12) nostamaa vettä imutelalta (15).
- 2. Patenttivaatimuksen 1 mukainen kaavin, <u>tunnettu</u> siitä, että imutelan (15) kuvitellun pyörähdysakselin suhteen kaavin15 listan (12) ja kaavinterän (13) kosketusviivojen välinen kulma on 15° 70°, edullisemmin 20° 40°.
- 3. Patenttivaatimuksen 1 tai 2 mukainen kaavin, <u>tunnettu</u> siitä, että kaapimessa (10) on runkorakenne (11), johon sekä 20 kaavinlistan (12) että kaavinterän (13) pitimet (20, 21) on sovitettu.
- 4. Patenttivaatimuksen 3 mukainen kaavin, <u>tunnettu</u> siitä, että kaavinlistan (12) pidin (20) on sovitettu irrotettavasti 25 kiinnitettäväksi runkorakenteeseen (11).
- 5. Patenttivaatimuksen 3 tai 4 mukainen kaavin, <u>tunnettu</u> siitä, että runkorakenteeseen (11) kuuluu kaavinlistan (12) pitimen (20) läheisyydessä kaavinterän (13) teräpidintä (21) vastaavat kiinnikkeet.

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Keksintö koskee imutelan kaavinta erityisesti paperikoneisiin, joka kaavin (10) on tarkoitettu veden poistamiseksi imutelalta (15). Kaapimeen (10) kuuluu imutelan (15) pintaa vasten sovitettu oleellisesti koko imutelan (15) pituudelle ulottuva kaavinlista (12) sekä sen pidin (20) ja kuormituselimet (19). Imutelan (15) pyörimissuunnassa kaavinlistan (12) jälkeen on lisäksi kaapimeen (10) sovitettu sinällään tunnettu kaavinterä (13) teräpitimineen (21). Kaavinterä (13) on sovitettu poistamaan kaavinlistan (12) nostamaa vettä imutelalta (15).